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Brenda -

In follow up to your inquiry regarding Exide Technologies earlier this week, I would like to see if we could schedule a call with you for either next Tuesday or Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> or May 1<sup>st</sup> to discuss your request that we ***provide your office with additional information on the federal regulations Exide is violating and what the process is that the EPA takes when it finds that a company is violating regulations.*** I would like to bring together some of my colleagues from our Air Division, Waste Division, and our Enforcement Division to discuss your request.

Please let me know what your availability is for next Tuesday and Wednesday and I can work with my colleagues to try to confirm a day and time for a follow up call.

As you may already be aware, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) issued a press release on one of their actions earlier today. I have also included some news coverage that has come out following that release.

Here is the DTSC press release on their website:

<http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/PressRoom/upload/News-Release-T-08-13.pdf>

Here are a couple of stories covering DTSC's announcement this morning regarding Exide.

Associated Press: "State shuts down SoCal hazardous battery recycler"

<http://www.sfgate.com/news/science/article/State-shuts-down-SoCal-hazardous-battery-recycler-4460688.php>

Los Angeles Times: "State officials temporarily shut down Vernon battery recycler"

<http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-battery-recycler-shut-down-20130424,0,5270589.story>

Southern California Public Radio: "Regulators close car battery recycler in Vernon; cite cancer risk, contaminated soil"

<http://www.scpr.org/blogs/environment/2013/04/24/13431/regulators-close-car-battery-recycler-in-vernon-ci/>

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